

Acton Water



Water Supply District of Acton

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Board of Water Commissioners

Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 27, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

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- Comments from the Public
- Approve minutes from the meetings of 9/13 & 9/17
- Appoint one Commissioner to approve warrants while conducting meetings virtually

OLD BUSINESS:

- Per- and Poly-Fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)
 - Current sample data, if available
 - Any updates or discussion from the PFAS Working Group
 - American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act PFAS Mitigation Status
- Kelly's Corner construction discussion
- Update on the Assabet #3 well project
- Update on the Central Acton Water Treatment Plant (CAWTP) project

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fall water main flushing in North Acton beginning on Monday, October 4th

Board of Water Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
Acton Water District
693 Massachusetts Avenue, Acton, MA
Monday, September 13, 2021

AGENDA

- A. Maureen Mara of Mara & Associates with Annual Audit Report
- B. Comments from the Public
- C. Approve minutes from meeting of 8/23/2021
- D. Appoint one Commissioner to approve warrants while conducting meetings virtually

E. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Update on Per- and Poly-Fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS).
 - Current sample data, if available
 - Any updates or discussion from PFAS Working Group

F. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Approve the Rollover of the Promissory Note for Refinancing the Borrowing of Engineering for the Central Acton Water Treatment Plant

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION: To consider the purchase, exchange, lease of real property as an open meeting may have detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the District.

Present at Tonight's Meeting:

Commissioners: Erika Amir-Lin, Barry Rosen (Chair), Stephen Stuntz
District Manager: Chris Allen
District Treasurer: Mary Jo Bates
District Counsel: Mary Bassett
Environmental Manager: Matthew Mostoller
Commissioners Secretary: Lynn Protasowicki
Finance Committee: Chuck Bradley

Public Attendees:

Kim Kastens
Ron Parenti

Due to the Covid-19 stay-at-home order by Governor Charles Baker, the Board of Water Commissioners meeting was not held at the Acton Water District Office, instead the meeting was held via Zoom Webinar. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM on Monday, September 13, 2021 by Mr. Barry Rosen.

A. Maureen Mara of Mara & Associates with Annual Audit Report

Maureen Mara provided the annual review of the audit which was completed for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021. The Commissioners have been provided a copy of the full financial statement and the management report letter. The following are highlights from the main report:

1. Unsold Water Percentage – had been consistent over the years but jumped a lot from 12.3% (June 2020) to 18.3% (June 2021). PFAS and drawing water for testing may contribute to this increase in unsold water.
2. Reduction in the Net Pension liability with the Middlesex County Retirement System and went down from \$3.7 million to \$3.5 million. Good rate of return so there are more assets to fund the liability. It did have a better funded percentage in 2020. They were 53% funded vs 49% funded last in 2019.
3. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) – this trust fund did very well in the market this past fiscal year. It had a 20% rate of return. The District is over funded by \$300,000. It's definitely a good time to start paying the retiree's health insurance from this fund.
4. Fund Balances – one of which is Free Cash has been submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue for certification and just waiting on approval. Free cash decreased by about \$300,000 this year. That is because District had a surplus of about \$500,000 but appropriated \$800,000 for capital projects so the District dipped into the free cash for \$300,000. She stated to keep an eye on this fund. She doesn't want the District to be overly aggressive with appropriating funds from it. WR Grace fund is also lower than it ever has been due to last year's appropriation of \$1 million dollars for Assabet #3
5. Central Acton Water Treatment Plant - \$10M spent; all documentation was in good order. Everything had been certified by the contractors.

She stated that overall, the audit went well. The District's accounting is in good standing.

She mentioned that Acton Water District, Chelmsford Water District and North Chelmsford Water District may want to cooperate on a search for a new auditor. On June 30, 2022 she will help all three districts close their books so that they can present completed financial statement to the new auditor.

She informed the Commissioners that is her final year being the District's auditor as she will be retiring from conducting audits.

Barry Rosen: asked Ms. Mara about the status of the accounting software that she had suggested the District upgrade during last year's review by her. Ms. Mara stated that she and Mary Jo have spoken and decided to wait until a new auditor has been chosen and from there make the decision with them on the new software.

B. Comments from the Public

Kim Kastens: she attended her first Acton Water District's Finance Committee meeting because she was interested in hearing about the debt relief discussion. Pleased to see the careful thought

going into it and what's going in it. She would encourage Fin COMM to bring in voices from low to moderate income rate payers/water takers before Fin COMM decides on anything.

She has two PFAS comments. Mr. Rosen suggests holding her comments until the agenda item.

B. Approve Minutes from Meeting of 8/23/2021

Mr. Rosen motioned to approve the minutes of August 23, 2021. Ms. Amir-Lin seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by a roll call vote: Ms. Amir-Lin, Mr. Stuntz, and Mr. Rosen.

C. Appoint One Commissioner to Approve Warrants While Conducting Meetings Virtually

Mr. Stuntz motioned to appoint Mr. Rosen as the Commissioner to approve warrants while conducting meetings virtually until the next meeting of the Commissioners. Ms. Amir-Lin seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by a roll call vote: Ms. Amir-Lin, Mr. Stuntz, and Mr. Rosen.

E. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on Per- and Poly-Fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS).

- Current sample data, if available
- Any updates or discussion from PFAS Working Group

Current sample data, if available

Mr. Allen posted the recent sample results table. For the calendar year of 2021, including the results of the August samples. Conant I's concentration was 17.8 Parts Per Trillion (ppt). We continue to operate Conant I intermittently with North Acton Water Treatment Plant (NAWTP). Clapp/Whitcomb was non-detect; North Acton Water Treatment Plant 18.4 PPT. The primary supply to customers currently is from Clapp/Whitcomb and South Acton Water Treatment Plant (SAWTP). We will be providing another public notice as a bill stuffer and syncing that up with our next billing cycle that will come out in early October to consolidate multiple mass mailings.

Kim Kastens: she received from Chris Smith a report about sampling around WR Grace site. TetraTech was recommending that there should be no more PFAS sampling at the WR Grace site. It struck her as a premature at sampling there. She wanted to know the Commissioners thoughts on this of further sampling at this site. Matt Mostoller stated that he has not done a thorough review of the report, so he does not have any formal comments right now about it.

Kim Kastens: A few months ago she made a comment at one of the Commissioners meeting about joining the new program about MassDEP along with University of Massachusetts to test effectiveness of home filtration systems for removing PFAS and they were recruiting public water supplies to enter into a program where if they had more 20 PPT could have their water run through a bunch of tests to see which ones were effective at removing PFAS. She thought it was a great idea as Green Acton is getting lots of questions about this from water takers. She heard from Matt that the District was not going to join this program. She was disappointed. She'd like to understand the reasons for this. Strategize about whether there is any way to get comparable information regarding which filtration systems will be effective on our water. Matt staged that

the number one reason that we didn't take part is we need to remain in control of how and when we are operating our wells. Last fall with NAWTP we were trying to accommodate two pilot programs at this site, and we couldn't rest and run the wells when we wanted to and that became a challenge to get the data we needed to get. Turning our schedule over to UMass while we are trying to meet the current demands of meeting water for our community during the growing season wasn't something we needed to add to what we are juggling. To Kim's question about how comparable data could be obtained. The NSF and filter manufacturers and other certified agencies need to step up and recognize that the EPA recommended guideline of 70 PPT is becoming an obsolete number. They need to be working together to achieve standards and equipment that can meet that array of standards that various states have adopted.

Barry Rosen: we were curious to know if there was any seasonality to having PFAS in the raw water. He noticed that when you look at the data chart that Kim was referring the PFOA, when they tested in winter, was up around 22 nanograms per liter (ng/L) and in the summer it dropped to 5.3 ng/L. He wonders if TetraTech tests in winter, if the numbers would be high again and in the summer it's above the state standard. He doesn't know if there is any seasonality but would be interested to see what the numbers would be if they tested in the winter. There are so many variables of course. He is questioning the conclusion of the results and it's not comfortable that they are telling us "don't worry about it" based on the long-chain readings that they got in the wintertime. Erika Amir-Lin commented, "I don't know how you can tell anything with two data points so she would be hesitant in making any proclamations." Kim Kastens stated that it struck her as premature which is why she raised the question. Matt Mostoller stated that it is difficult to make decision on two data points; they were reluctant to do the first round and the second round; the few scattered places that show some places of elevation are not in proximity to our production wells which suggests that there isn't a connection to what contributed to those wells and our production wells. The majority of the wells in South Acton with the highest concentration of PFAS in production wells goes down as they get closer to Grace site. Our two highest concentrations wells are Assabet IA and Christofferson are the furthest away from the Grace site proper. Kim Kastens stated that she is happy that they were able to get the additional four samples done because that did include the spatial picture. Matt stated that unfortunately we did have interest in the wells in proximity to the Concord Bus Depot, but they were not sampled. Would have been nice if the NMI superfund site would do sampling there but they are in a holding pattern until they get approval to do more work.

Ron Parenti: he keeps looking at the numbers in the table and he is struck how consistent the numbers are. Might be possible that the PFAS is coming out of the pumping equipment? He was wondering if they thought of this and if there is a way to prove or disprove that. Matt Mostoller stated that we have also wondered the same thing. What could be contributing factors. We have been trying to delve into that, but we have nothing conclusive to-date.

Mr. Allen gave an update regarding the PFAS working group. He continues to try and schedule a trip to observe the town of Hudson's PFAS systems. There are currently 17 applications for bottled water rebates; engaged our engineering consultant, Wright-Pierce, to do an analysis of feasibility for temporary treatment in North Acton and will continue to work with the working group on that scope and will present that report when completed.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve the Rollover of the Promissory Note for Refinancing the Borrowing of Engineering for the Central Acton Water Treatment Plant

Ms. Bates stated that we went out to bid for the rollover of \$215,000 which is the balance of the engineering on the Central Acton Water Treatment Plant. We received two bids last week. The lower bid was from UniBank at .46%. She recommends the Board to award the note to UniBank for \$215,000 at .46%

Mr. Stuntz moved that we accept Ms. Bates recommendation of awarding the note to UniBank for \$215,000 at .46%. Ms. Amir-Lin seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by a roll call vote: Ms. Amir-Lin, Mr. Stuntz, and Mr. Rosen.

Mr. Rosen motioned to adjourn open meeting at 7:52 PM. Mr. Stuntz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by a roll call vote: Ms. Amir-Lin, Mr. Stuntz, and Mr. Rosen. Mr. Rosen moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:53 PM to discuss strategy with respect to the purchase, exchange, lease of real property as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the District.

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Board of Water Commissioners Meeting Minutes
Acton Water District
693 Massachusetts Avenue, Acton MA
Friday, September 17, 2021

AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss the District's input to the Town of Acton Selectboard for the utilization of American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act funds allocated to the Town of Acton.

Present at Today's Meeting:

Commissioners: Erika Amir-Lin, Barry Rosen (Chair), Stephen Stuntz
District Manager: Chris Allen

Town of Acton Selectboard/District Liaison: Himaja Nagireddy

Due to the Covid-19 stay-at-home order by Governor Charles Baker, the Board of Water Commissioners meeting was not held at the Acton Water District Office, instead the meeting was held via Microsoft Teams. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on Friday, September 17, 2021 by Mr. Barry Rosen.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. *Discuss the District's input to the Town of Acton Selectboard for the utilization of American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act funds allocated to the Town of Acton.*

Barry Rosen: we asked via the town Manager for expense relief for Kelly's Corner (the District is proposed to receive \$100,000) and PFAS mitigation relief at the NAWTP (no money allocated).

We just found out that the Town is going to have a public listening session on Monday, September 20th regarding the ARPA funds - the Selectboard will listen to proposals. Barry would like to put together a discussion and work through our liaison, Himaja, to put a proposal before Selectboard for more money. There is roughly about \$12 million dollars in proposals and they only have \$7 million to distribute. He suggests working with Himaja to put our ideas as to why PFAS mitigation is important and what the District is doing with PFAS mitigation to see if we can get some money for this. He is asking for the support from the other Commissioners to continue working on this.

Steve Stuntz: we should ask for money. He did not realize the level of projects the Town Manager had in front of him.

Himaja: the Town Manager put together a list of projects that he proposed to be funded which included the \$100K for Kelly's Corner. He didn't add PFAS remediation. So, with that \$100K and all the other projects combined the total came up to \$12M. If the District were to propose

PFAS remediation again that would be additional project that we would consider beyond what we have already allocated.

Chris Allen: how does that list get whittled down? Will the Selectboard dictate? Himaja: the Selectboard will make final decision and will be informed by the public comments but ultimately the Selectboard will make the final decision.

Steve Stuntz: there is \$12M in projects. There is \$7M in ARPA money. The Selectboard faces how many actually need to happen. How much money has the District spent in treatment over the years? As the water takers demand cleaner water the question is how to allocate the "free" money. With PFAS we will go and find the best treatment but how to reduce that impact to the same group of citizens that Himaja talks to at the Selectboard meetings. PFAS is one of the things to remediate that the town requires and also the state.

Barry Rosen: on May 28th he had a meeting with Jim Snyder-Grant and at that point the Kelly's Corner project had not gone out for bid so there could have been opportunity that the District's request could have been with that but not sure if that is still opportunity. Chris Allen: it won't go out for bid until May/June of 2022.

Erika Amir-Lin: no objections to redirecting our request for funding for PFAS mitigation. It is something that effects the whole town and is an appropriate ask. There aren't any funding mechanisms available to us right now and should drive our request. It is a town issue where we are not able to find easy funding to solve the town issue of PFAS. We have to take the chance to get some of the ARPA funding because we won't get another chance to get money for PFAS mitigation.

Barry Rosen: we are deferring our maintenance because we are taking money out of our pipe replacement funding to help fund Kelly's Corner.

Commissioners all agree that Barry should continue working with Himaja on the District's behalf for requesting the ARPA money.

Chris Allen: reason for applying for \$150K of state grants that have yet to be awarded. The objective was to fund the bottled water rebate program. No funding has been received yet.

Barry Rosen will move ahead and continue working with Himaja as the liaison with the Selectboard.

Chris Allen: we are currently on a path to fund the Kelly's Corner regardless of ARPA funds, so he would prefer to put the money towards PFAS vs Kelly's Corner. Erika Amir-Lin agrees to that as well.

Himaja: PFAS and water issues are her top priorities, so she is excited to work with the District. We have heard from concerned public about PFAS in the drinking water so there is a lot of worry and framing this as we do want to respond to this issue and allocating these funds because this is a top need. Chris Allen: the public health aspect is definitely a major issue and we are

looking at water shortages which could cause a problem with community development in the future. If we have to start curtailing usage based upon availability of sources there could be a moratorium on new connections. We could be looking at an all-out ban on outdoor water use because of restrictions related to PFAS causing us to be unable to use some of our sources. It's a ripple effect.

Mr. Rosen moved to adjourn the open meeting at 10:30 AM. Mr. Stuntz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by a roll call vote: Ms. Amir-Lin, Mr. Stuntz, and Mr. Rosen.



BRP WS Application

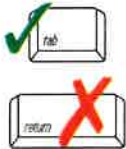
For Drinking Water Program (Water Supply) Permits or Approvals

Facility ID# (if known)

A. Application

1. Is this application for an Original or a Resubmittal?

Important: When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



2. Applicant:

Acton Water District
Name
Acton MA 01720
City State Zip

693 Massachusetts Ave
Address
Chris Allen (978) 263-9107
Contact Telephone

3. Consultant:

Wright-Pierce
Name
Andover MA 01810
City State Zip

600 Federal St #2151
Address
Greg Smith 603-748-6390
Contact Telephone

B. Permit

Please check the permit or approval for which you are applying:

Zone II Determination for Existing Sources

- BRP WS 07 Approval to Conduct Pump Test for Zone II Delineation
- BRP WS 08 Approval of Zone II Delineation

New Technology

- BRP WS 11 Minor New Technology Approval; where no field test required
 - Drinking Water Additive
 - Cross Connection Device
 - Water Vending Machine
 - Other (specify):
- BRP WS 12 Major New Technology Approval: where field testing is required
- BRP WS 27 New Technology with Third-party Approval
- BRP WS 28 Vending Site/Source Prototype
- BRP WS 31 Vending and POU/POE Devices with Third-party Approval

New Source Approvals <70 gpm

- BRP WS 13 Exploratory Phase, Site Examination, Land Use Survey and Approval to Conduct Pumping Test
- BRP WS 15 Pumping Test Report Approval and Approval to Construct Source
- BRP WS 37 Approval of Transient Non-Community Source Less than 7 Gallons per Minute (combines BRP WS 13 and BRP WS 15 submittals)

New Source Approvals = or > 70 gpm

- BRP WS 17 Exploratory Phase, Site Examination, Land Use Survey, and Conduct Pumping Test
- BRP WS 19 Pumping Test Report Approval
- BRP WS 20 To Construct Source

Water Treatment Approvals

- BRP WS 21A To Conduct Pilot Study < 40,000 gpd
- BRP WS 21B To Conduct Pilot Study = or > 40,000 gpd and < 200,000 gpd
- BRP WS 21C To Conduct Pilot Study = or > 200,000 gpd and < 1 mgd
- BRP WS 21D To Conduct Pilot Study = or > 1 mgd
- BRP WS 22A Pilot Study Report < 40,000 gpd
- BRP WS 22B Pilot Study Report = or > 40,000 gpd and < 200,000 gpd
- BRP WS 22C Pilot Study Report = or > 200,000 gpd and < 1 mgd
- BRP WS 22D Pilot Study Report = or > 1 mgd
- BRP WS 23A To Construct Facility <40,000 gpd
- BRP WS 23B To Construct Facility = or > 40,000 gpd and < 200,000 gpd
- BRP WS 23C To Construct Facility = or > 200,000 gpd and < 1 mgd
- BRP WS 24 To Construct Facility = or > 1 mgd
- BRP WS 25 Treatment Facility Modification
- BRP WS 29 Water Treatment: Chemical Addition Retrofits of Water Systems > 3,300 people
- BRP WS 30A Vending Installation Approval
- BRP WS 30B POU/POE Installation Approval
- BRP WS 34 Water Treatment: Chemical Addition Retrofits of Water Systems = or < 3,300 people
- BRP WS 35A Multiple Vending Installation Approval
- BRP WS 35B Multiple POU/POE Installation Approval

Water Quality Assurance

- BRP WS 26 Sale or Acquisition of Land for Water Source
- BRP WS 36 Abandonment of Water Source

Distribution System Modifications

- BRP WS 32 Systems > 3,300 people
- BRP WS 33 Systems = or < 3,300 people



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Resource Protection – Drinking Water Program

X288331
Transmittal Number

BRP WS Application

For Drinking Water Program (Water Supply) Permits or Approvals

Facility ID# (if known)

C. Certification

"I certify, under penalty of law, that this application and all attachments were prepared under my supervision, in accordance with a system designed to ensure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information submitted in this application, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete."

Authorized Signature

Greg Smith

Print Name

9/8/2021

Date

Senior Hydrogeologist

Position/Title



Enter your transmittal number →

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Transmittal Number

Your unique Transmittal Number can be accessed online:
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Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Transmittal Form for Permit Application and Payment

1. Please type or print. A separate Transmittal Form must be completed for each permit application.

2. Make your check payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and mail it with a copy of this form to: MassDEP, P.O. Box 4062, Boston, MA 02211.

3. Three copies of this form will be needed.

Copy 1 - the original must accompany your permit application.
Copy 2 must accompany your fee payment.
Copy 3 should be retained for your records

4. Both fee-paying and exempt applicants must mail a copy of this transmittal form to:

**MassDEP
P.O. Box 4062
Boston, MA
02211**

*** Note:**
For BWSC Permits, enter the LSP.

A. Permit Information

BRP WS 20

1. Permit Code: 4-to-7-character code from permit instructions

Permit Re-Activation for Assabet Well No.3, Acton, MA

3. Type of Project or Activity

WS 20:Approval to Construct a Source of 70 gpm or Greater

B. Applicant Information – Firm or Individual

Acton Water District

1. Name of Firm - Or, if party needing this approval is an individual enter name below:

2. Last Name of Individual

693 Massachusetts Avenue

5. Street Address

Acton

6. City/Town

Chris Allen

11. Contact Person

3. First Name of Individual

MA

7. State

01720

8. Zip Code

(978) 263-9107

9. Telephone #

4. MI

10. Ext. #

Chris@actonwater.com

12. e-mail address

C. Facility, Site or Individual Requiring Approval

1. Name of Facility, Site or Individual

2. Street Address

3. City/Town

4. State

5. Zip Code

6. Telephone #

7. Ext. #

8. DEP Facility Number (if Known)

9. Federal I.D. Number (if Known)

10. BWSC Tracking # (if Known)

D. Application Prepared by (if different from Section B)*

Wright-Pierce

1. Name of Firm or Individual

600 Federal Street #2151

2. Address

Andover

3. City/Town

Greg Smith

8. Contact Person

MA

4. State

01810

5. Zip Code

603-748-6390

6. Telephone #

7. Ext. #

9. LSP Number (BWSC Permits only)

E. Permit - Project Coordination

1. Is this project subject to MEPA review? yes no
If yes, enter the project's EOE file number - assigned when an Environmental Notification Form is submitted to the MEPA unit:

EOEA File Number

F. Amount Due

Special Provisions:

1. Fee Exempt: city, town, county, or district of the Commonwealth; federally recognized Indian tribe housing authority; municipal housing authority; the MBTA; or state agency if fee is \$100 or less. *There are no fee exemptions for BWSC permits, regardless of applicant status.*
2. Hardship Request - payment extensions according to 310 CMR 4.04(3)(c).
3. Alternative Schedule Project (according to 310 CMR 4.05 and 4.10).
4. Homeowner (according to 310 CMR 4.02).

DEP Use Only

Permit No:

Rec'd Date:

Reviewer:

Check Number

Dollar Amount

Date



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Acton Water District Fall Water Main Flushing 2021

The Acton Water District will begin its fall water main flushing program on Monday, October 4, 2021 and will continue through the month of October. We will be flushing water mains northeast of Rt 2 in the vicinity of Great Road (Rt 2A/119) and Main Street (Rt 27) to the Westford/Carlisle/Littleton town lines, and intersecting streets and neighborhoods (North Acton).

Discolored water and periods of low pressure may be experienced on, or in the general vicinity of, any of the streets being flushed. We will place road signs in the vicinity prior to initiating flushing on any street. Areas outside of the flushing zone may also experience some of these conditions, although the program is designed to minimize widespread impacts.

Flushing will occur between the hours of 8 AM and 8 PM Monday - Thursday. We will not be flushing on Monday, October 11, 2021, due to Indigenous Peoples' Day holiday. At any time during this period, customers may experience discolored water. It is advisable to draw and store some drinking water prior to flushing. Any customers experiencing discolored water should not launder light-colored clothing, or run their dishwashers, as the minerals in the water may cause staining.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. This process is necessary for improving water quality in our distribution system, exercising valves and hydrants, and to clean mineral deposits from the pipes to minimize future incidents of discolored water.

For updates on areas being flushed, please refer to the Water District web site at www.actonwater.com, or call 978-263-9107, Mon-Fri 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. You may also follow us on Twitter @Actonwater.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we conduct this necessary maintenance activity.